RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP 1797 PATENT

Customer No. 63432 Attorney Docket No. 09138.0079-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Lars WINTHER et al.	Group Art Unit: 1797
Application No.: 10/539,308	Examiner: Shogo Sasaki
Filed: June 16, 2005	Confirmation No.: 2746
For: APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATED PROCESSING BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES	,)))

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), fulfills the requirement for a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, and responds to the Final Office Action mailed September 15, 2010, the period for response to which extends through February 15, 2011, by a request for extension of two months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheet. The amendments are discussed in this paper.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims included in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendments section of this paper.

Attachments to this Amendment include:

Two Replacement drawing sheets illustrating Figs. 2 and 3.